



FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION
Washington, DC 20463

May 9, 2001

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Michael Pohl
157 Brookfield Street
Manchester, CT 06040

RE: MUR 5113

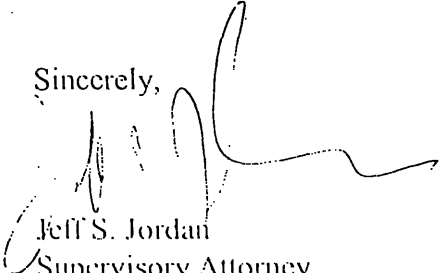
Dear Mr. Pohl:

On October 12, 2000, the Federal Election Commission received your complaint alleging certain violations of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended ("the Act").

After considering the circumstances of this matter, the Commission has determined to exercise its prosecutorial discretion and to take no action against the respondents. See enclosed narrative. Accordingly, the Commission closed its file in this matter on May 9, 2001. This matter will become part of the public record within 30 days.

The Act allows a complainant to seek judicial review of the Commission's dismissal of this action. See 2 U.S.C. § 437g(a)(8).

Sincerely,


Jeff S. Jordan
Supervisory Attorney
Central Enforcement Docket

Enclosure
Narrative

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AMERICAN LEGION DEPARTMENT OF CONNECTICUT

Michael E. Pohl alleged that the Connecticut Legionaire Newspaper printed an advertisement on behalf of Robert Simmons for Congress Committee (the "Committee") without the proper disclaimer. Mr. Pohl asserted that the American Legion Department of Connecticut not only violated FECA, but also its own charter, by failing to remain a non-partisan, non-political organization.

The Committee responded by attaching a letter from Kevin Rarey, president of Rare Reminder, Inc., who took full responsibility for a printing error.

This matter is less significant relative to other matters pending before the Commission and evidences no serious intent to violate the FECA.

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